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Mr. Will Stokes Utah Trust Lands Adm. Salt Lake City Utah 84102 Re; ML 47374

Dear Mr. Stokes,

I would like to thank you and Mr. Gallegos for visiting my lease site May 5th, 1997. It was a pleasure to meet you both.

I thought I should bring you up to date on what I have been informed by the BLM in Moab. Mr. Rich McClure called me on May 9th, 1997, and informed me that the BLM could not issue an approval for casual use of the way that crosses the WSA on Section 32, before their intentions were made public for 30 days, and any comments rebuted.

Mr. McCluire said Ms.Kitchell was afraid certain groups would be angered if the BLM just issued the letter of approval without a thirty day period for comment and notification. Frankly I'm rather puzzled, I did't have to wait for approval for use of the BS road.

I have requested a letter outlining BLM's decision, but have yet to receive the letter, nor have I been notified of when public notice was given. Thusly I believe it is the typical "stall" tactic.

Considering this difficulty with access, not only from the rancher, but the BLM as well, I have no choice but to wait until some sort of access is obtained to place the reclamation bond in the bank. After talking to the BLM, I beleive that it may be as long as a year before any kind of access will be granted, let alone access for equipment.

^ I was told last week that congress had dis-approved Bruce Babbits proposal for reconstruction of RS2477. I haven't confirmed this yet but I'm sure your office would know for sure.

Thanks for your help!

Sincerely;

Kermit Bohrer Pres.

cc. Tony Gallegos Div., Oil, Gas, Mining